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[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters on *Friday, 14 April 2017*, official holiday.]

Monday, 17 April 2017

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Disarmament Commission

2017 substantive session

Working Group II

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

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Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Eighth meeting

10:00 to 13:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 2
	Opening of the meeting [item 1]	
	Adoption of the agenda [item 2]	
	Organization of work [item 3]	
	General statements [item 4]	
	Report of the Bureau of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole [item 5]	
15:00 to 18:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 2
	Regional Workshops, including revised Guidelines for workshops to assist the Regular Process [item 6]	

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on the Committee on Information)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

Workshop on "International Criminal Jurisdiction: Issues and challenges" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and research (UNITAR) New York Office)

10:00 to 13:00	Conference Room S-0310
15:00 to 18:00	Conference Room S-0310

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Álvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); to register, *click here.*

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Thursday, 20 April 2017

10:00 — 76th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Sustainable Development: draft resolution (A/71/L.61) (to be issued) [item 19]
2. Report of the Peacebuilding Commission (A/71/768) [item 29]
   Peacebuilding and sustaining peace [item 61]
   Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund (A/71/792) [item 110]
   Joint debate

High-level SDG Action Event entitled "High-level SDG Financing Lab"

Tuesday, 18 April 2017

10:00 to 10:30 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Opening segment

10:30 to 12:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Panel discussion: What will it take to finance the SDGs? From ambition to reality

12:00 to 13:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Plenary

15:00 to 17:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Plenary *(continued)*

15:00 to 17:00 — Workshop *(in parallel)*

1. Building an inclusive and peaceful future where no one is left behind — Conference Room 11
2. Fostering economic growth and development, and Tackling inequality — Conference Room 12
3. Protecting our world in the present and the future — Conference Room 5

17:15 to 17:50 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Wrap-up: The Way Forward

17:50 to 18:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Closing segment

For more information on the event, please *click here*. Member States, intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, and

United Nations system entities, wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org)). Statements in the plenary debate should *not exceed five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group and *three minutes* when speaking in a national capacity. For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 March 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

Friday, 21 April 2017

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The President of the General Assembly will convene an interactive dialogue on Harmony with Nature to commemorate the International Mother Earth Day

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 April 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Monday, 24, Tuesday, 25, and Thursday, 27 April 2017

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the revised draft of the "Call for Action' to support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 April 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
Monday, 5, to Friday, 9 June 2017

The United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development will be held at United Nations Headquarters from Monday, 5 to Friday, 9 June 2017, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/303 of 9 September 2016. For further information, please *click here*.

The provisional agenda and provisional rules of procedure of the Conference have been issued as documents A/CONF.230/1 and A/CONF.230/2, respectively.

The Conference will include eight *plenary meetings*, which will be held in the General Assembly Hall, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00;

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Wednesday, 7 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00.

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings, the "General debate" *is open*. Requests for inscription from the States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, for the general debate should be sent through the e-Speakers system available through the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within *one hour* of receipt of request for inscription.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be established on a first-come first-served basis with the customary protocol that ensures that Heads of States or Government speak first, followed by other heads of delegation. The European Union will be included in the list of speakers. It is proposed that a time limit of *five minutes* be established for each statement, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts. All delegations prior to the delivery of the statements are kindly requested to e-mail a copy of their statement to papersmart@un.org, indicating in the subject line: "Statement and Name of Country or Organization". Where possible, statements should be provided one day in advance of delivery or at least three hours before delivery of statement.

In addition, representatives of the following organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate: (a) intergovernmental organizations and other entities that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the capacity of observer in the sessions and work of all international conferences convened under its auspices (rule 60 of the provisional rules of procedure); (b) other intergovernmental organizations (rule 63); (c) associate members of regional commissions (rule 61); (d) specialized agencies and related organizations (rule 62); and (e) United Nations organs (rule 64). These representatives may contact the Secretariat (c/o Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org)) to be inscribed in the list of speakers.

Also, representatives of non-governmental organizations (rule 65), civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private sector and philanthropic organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate. These representatives are invited to indicate their interest to speak by using the form (*click here*). Preference will be given to statements that are delivered on behalf of groups of organizations.

The *seven partnership dialogues* will be held in Conference Room 4, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Addressing marine pollution";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Managing, protecting, conserving and restoring marine and coastal ecosystems";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Minimizing and addressing ocean acidification";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Making fisheries sustainable";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing economic benefits to small islands developing States and least developed countries and providing access for small-scale artisanal fishers to marine resources and markets";

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing scientific knowledge and developing research capacity and transfer of marine technology"; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Enhancing the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources by implementing international law as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea".

The partnership dialogues *open* to all participants accredited to the Conference, will be interactive and multi-stakeholder in nature. The partnership dialogues will begin with a panel discussion, followed by an interactive dialogue among participants. Interventions in the interactive debate should be limited to *three minutes*. The order of speakers for each partnership dialogue will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis, bearing in mind equitable geographical distribution while allowing for some flexibility with priority given to States according to the level of representation, followed by intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, United Nations system, major groups and other relevant actors. It is envisaged that up to 25 States and 15 other participants will be accommodated to speak in the interactive debate of each partnership dialogue.

States and the associate members of regional commissions participating in the Conference are requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot, including the order of preference, name, title and level of participation, to the Secretariat (c/o Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)) *before the deadline date of Friday, 19 May 2017*.

Representatives of intergovernmental organizations and other entities, specialized agencies and related organizations, and United Nations organs are also requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot, including the order of preference, name, title and level of participation, to the Secretariat (c/o Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org)) *before the deadline date of Friday, 19 May 2017*.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations and other major groups as well as other stakeholders are requested to indicate two partnership dialogues in which to have a speaking slot by using the form (*click here*) *before the deadline date of Monday, 24 April 2017*. Additional guidance on the partnership dialogues as circulated by the President of the General Assembly, in a letter dated 6 April 2017, is available on the Conference website (*click here*).

The *special event commemorating World Ocean Day* will be held on Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 in the General Assembly Hall. Further details on the special event will be made available on the Conference website. Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference, the *credentials* of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and submitted to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Rooms S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week* before Monday, 5 June 2017. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the

Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of the European Union, by the President of the European Council or the President of the European Commission. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Accreditation of official delegations of States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, as well as specialized agencies and related organizations, is handled by the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service via the online system "eAccreditation". Submission of online accreditation requests for members of the delegations via "eAccreditation" system must be handled by permanent/observer missions and offices in New York, who have already been registered and provided with secure login credential (password). Delegations wishing to attend the conference are advised to coordinate with their missions/offices in New York for timely submission of accreditation requests. Additional information is available on the Conference website under "Registration" (*click here*).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-seventh session
5 to 23 June 2017

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks before* the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 19 May 2017*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (304 East 45th Street, Room FF-700; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Tenth session

Tuesday, 13, to Thursday, 15 June 2017

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *173* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *115* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org); or consult the United Nations Enable website (*click here*).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Organizational Committee

Wednesday, 19 April 2017

10:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

Security Council

Thursday, 20 April 2017

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate in connection with the agenda item "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question" (S/2017/305)

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406), starting on *Monday, 17 April 2017*, at 09:30. Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)
Regional outreach meeting

Friday, 21 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

His Excellency Sebastiano Cardi (Italy), Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006), will convene the third in a series of

regional outreach meetings, for Member States of the African Group. The purpose of the meeting will be to explore challenges and opportunities for a better understanding and more effective implementation of the Security Council sanctions regime regarding the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), particularly resolutions 2270 (2016) and 2321 (2016). At the meeting, participants will hear a briefing by the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009), followed by an interactive discussion.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Coordination and management meeting

Wednesday, 19, to Friday, 21 April 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The coordination and management meeting will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, Her Excellency Marie Chatardová (Czech Republic). The provisional programme for the meeting is available from the website of the Council (please *click here*). For further information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail selcuk@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5019).

The *elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments* (item 4) to fill vacancies in the membership of the subsidiary bodies of the Council will be held on Wednesday, 19 April 2017, in the morning. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is contained in document E/2017/1/Add.1, as well as in document E/2017/9 and its addenda. Additional supporting documentation is available on Candiweb (please *click here*).

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (Attn.: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org and ecosocelections@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room CB-0225); or by fax 1 (212) 963-8196.

Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* for the general discussion of the agenda items and sub-items listed in the provisional programme should be communicated to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org), with copy to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org)). The time limit set for statements is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

PaperSmart services will be available to delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically. Please send a copy of the statement at *least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal of the Economic and Social Council (please *click here*) after delivery by delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-8196)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

Special meeting on innovations for infrastructure development and promoting sustainable industrialization

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold a special meeting to highlight the relevance of industry, innovation and infrastructure (Goal 9) for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The special meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe) and will comprise interactive panel discussions. There will be no pre-determined list of speakers, with interventions limited to *three minutes*.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing, no later than noon on Tuesday, 30 May 2017*, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

In advance of the special meeting, a preparatory meeting on agriculture and agro-industries development toward sustainable and resilient food systems, will be held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, from 24 to 26 April 2017. The preparatory meeting is open to all Member States. Delegations are invited to nominate representatives for participation in the preparatory meeting. Please send nominations *as soon as possible* to Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail barrettg@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4723). For more information on the special meeting and the preparatory events, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-seventh session

Organizational session

Thursday, 20 April 2017

15:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Election of its Bureau and consideration of its organization of work

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2017/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2017/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2017/L.2).

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegation to the Secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Sixteenth session

24 April to 5 May 2017 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2017/1 and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2017/L.1.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, *in advance of the session*, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; Room S-3066). Kindly be reminded that the observers who have not indicated their participation by the established deadline will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. For background and other related documents of the sixteenth session of the Forum, please *click here*.

The sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a *PaperSmart* manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages. There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The *list of speakers is open*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the Secretariat (Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org)). Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org *at least one hour in advance* of their designated speaking slot and to bring *30 copies* of their statements for technical services.

United Nations Forum on Forests
Twelfth session

1 to 5 May 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/CN.18/2017/1 and the proposed organization of work and related documentation is available from the Forum website (please *click here*).

The lists of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3 on Monday, 1 May 2017, in the morning, *is open*. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Forum, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org)). The time limits for statements are *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Information on registration of participants is available from the Forum website (please *click here*). For inclusion in the list of participants, delegations are requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, the composition of their delegations by e-mail to the Secretary of the Forum (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

PaperSmart services will be available to delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically. Please send a copy of the statement *at least one hour in advance of delivery* to papersmart1@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Forum PaperSmart portal (please *click here*) after delivery by delegations.

For additional information on the twelfth session of the Forum, please visit the Forum website (*click here*). The list of side events on the margins of the session is available by *clicking here.*

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of professional translation in connecting nations and fostering peace, understanding and development" (under agenda item 125) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Azerbaijan and Belarus)

Tuesday, 18 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 .Conference Room B

Forthcoming other meetings

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Workshops on "International Dialogue on Migration 2017: Strengthening international cooperation on and governance of migration towards the adoption of a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration in 2018" (organized by the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Tuesday, 18, and Wednesday, 19 April 2017

10:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the IOM (e-mail idmworkshop@iom.int or Mr. Chris Richter (e-mail crichter@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 204)).

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

Tuesday, 18 April 2017

12:30 to 14:45 Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 18 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties

Wednesday, 19 April 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C

Event on "Protecting Endangered Cultural Heritage in Times of Conflict" (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development (IFPSD))

Wednesday, 19 April 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885); or the IFPSD (e-mail info@usfmep.org; tel. 1 (917) 331-4699).

Meeting of the Group of Friends of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Wednesday, 19 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Open to the Group of Friends of UNAOC. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

Panel discussion entitled "The Rise of Nationalist Politics and Policy Implications for Migration" (organized by the United Nations University Office at the United Nations (UNU-ONY))

Thursday, 20 April 2017

13:00 to 14:45 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail blocher@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387); to register, please *click here*.

Briefing on "Artificial Intelligence for Good" (organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU))

Thursday, 20 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact the ITU Liaison Office (Mr. Gary Fowlie (e-mail fowlie@un.org); or Ms. Sharon London (e-mail london@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6121)).

Event on "Promoting Well-being in the Twenty-first Century: Psychological Contributions for Social, Economic and Environmental Challenges" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of El Salvador and Palau)

Thursday, 20 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ayorkor Gaba, Permanent Mission of El Salvador (e-mail ayorkorgaba@gmail.com; tel. 1 (732) 309-8152).

International Criminal Court: Working Group on Amendments

Monday, 24 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Briefing on "The Draft WIPO Practical Guide on Intellectual Property for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities – Indigenous Perspectives" (organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO))

Tuesday, 25 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lucinda Longcroft, WIPO (e-mail lucinda.longcroft@wipo.int; tel. 1 (917) 244-1071 or 1 (212) 963-6813).

Round table discussion "Identifying and Mitigating Long-term Consequences of the Chernobyl Nuclear Disaster: Building the Case for Continued International Cooperation" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus, the Project Chernobyl and the Russian American Foundation)

Wednesday, 26 April 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Tamara Kharashun, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail tamara.kharashun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 772-2354); to register, please *click here*.

Workshop on "Corruption-free Institutions for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Denmark, Georgia, Qatar, Sierra Leone and Singapore, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 27 April 2017

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Georgia (e-mail geomission.un@mfa.gov.ge; tel. 1 (212) 759-1949).

Workshop on "Sustainable Development and Climate Change" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and research (UNITAR) New York Office)

Friday, 28 April 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room S-0310

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room S-0310

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Álvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); to register, please *click here*.

Official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Twentieth session

8-12 May 2017 (United Nations Office at Geneva)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2016/254 of 27 July 2016, the twentieth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 8, to Friday, 12 May 2017, in Conference Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2017/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Ms. Dong Wu (Chief, Science and Technology Section) and Ms. Stéphanie Kermoal, Science and Technology Section, STICT Branch, UNCTAD (tel. 011-41-22-917-2083; fax 011-41-22-917-0052; e-mail stdev@unctad.org).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here*.

Inquiries on the twentieth session of the Commission can also be directed to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Preparatory Committee for the 2020 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
First session
2-12 May 2017 (United Nations Office at Vienna)

A *general debate* on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee will be held on Tuesday 2, and Wednesday, 3 May 2017. The *list of speakers* for the general debate *is open*.

States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Treaty secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan (e-mail tan1@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; Room S-3164; fax 1 (917) 367-1767)).

Members of delegations who are not already *accredited* to the United Nations Office at Vienna are requested to fill in the *registration* form annexed to "Information for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations" (NPT/CONF.2020/PC.1/INF/2/Rev.1*) and return it to the secretariat (Mr. Hong Tan (e-mail tan1@un.org; with a copy to Ms. Lucia Andaya (e-mail andaya@un.org)), *as soon as possible*.

States parties are also kindly requested to provide, *in writing*, the composition of their delegations at the session, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, M. Ioan Tudor, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations, Room S-3151, New York, New York 10017, United States of America; or to the Treaty secretariat (fax 1 (917) 367-1760).

To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the *list of participants*, it is requested that electronic documents containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word to Ms. Lucia Andaya of the Treaty secretariat by e-mail (andaya@un.org), *as soon as possible*.

The session of the Preparatory Committee will be a paper-smart session, meaning that a limited number of hard copies of documents will be available during meetings. No hard copies of pre-session documents will be available.

All documents and statements for the first session will be available from the website of the 2017 Preparatory Committee (*click here*).

Delegations are kindly requested to send electronic copies of their statements to Papersmart9@un.org, *at least two hours prior* to their speaking slot. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery.

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QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.

Further information for participants is contained in the Information Note (NPT/CONF.2020/PC.1/INF/2/Rev.1*) and is also available on the web site of the first session of the Preparatory Committee (*click here*).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *April 2017*:

Introduction to legal resources

Finding speeches (English and French)

Voting information (English and French)

Introduction to library services

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents (English and French)

Treaty research

Security Council documentation

Research on the United Nations Charter

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For further information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 28 April 2017,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-second session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 71/41, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 5 December 2016 (Note verbale ODA/08-2017/CAC dated 20 February 2017);

Resolution 71/45, paras. 4 and 5, entitled "Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions", adopted on 5 December 2016 (Note verbale dated 10 February 2017) (this submission should be sent to ccm@unog.ch); and

Resolution 71/62, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 5 December 2016 (Note verbale ODA/05-2017/D&D dated 20 February 2017).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (*click here*), by *Friday, 28 April 2017,* the information relevant to resolution 70/21, paras. 1, 3, 4 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including

transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/06-2017/OIMM dated 20 February 2017 refers).

2017 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2017 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme is *Thursday, 20 April 2017* (Note Verbale ODA/01-2017/Fellowship Programme dated 24 January 2017). Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, Palais de Nations, Room C-113-1, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland. Nomination form and other attachments can be found by *clicking here*.

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (*click here* for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General prior to the meeting. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded.

All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted no later than one week before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room S-1309). For any clarifications on these elections, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here)*, or contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available. For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 13 April 2017

Security Council

[archived video]

7924th meeting

The question concerning Haiti

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (S/2017/223)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2017/313, submitted by the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2017/313) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2017/313) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstention, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2350 (2017).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Uruguay, the Russian Federation, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, France, the United Kingdom, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, China and Senegal; and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Brazil (speaking on behalf of Brazil, Chile and Guatemala).

7925th meeting

The situation in Somalia

Briefing by the Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Djibouti, Eritrea and Somalia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by His Excellency Kairat Umarov, Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan, in his capacity as the Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, France, Senegal, the Russian Federation, Egypt, China, Sweden, Ukraine, Japan, Uruguay, Ethiopia, Italy and the Plurinational State of Bolivia; and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Djibouti and Eritrea.

General Assembly
Seventy-first session

Disarmament Commission
2017 substantive session

[archived video]

365th meeting

Organization of work [item 3]

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission elected by acclamation Mr. Marius A.C. Loko (Benin) as Vice-Chair of the Commission from the Group of African States.

Committee of the Whole

Statements were made by the Chairs of Working Groups I and II, Mr. Wilmer Mendez (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) and Ms. Lachezara Stoeva (Bulgaria), respectively.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Communication with respect to the reservation made by Fiji upon ratification:
Peru (12 April 2017)

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Objection to the reservation made by Brunei Darussalam upon ratification:
Germany (12 April 2017)

Objection to the reservation made by Brunei Darussalam upon ratification:
Hungary (13 April 2017)

Objection to the reservation made by Brunei Darussalam upon ratification:
Netherlands (13 April 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Republic of Cameroon
His Excellency Michel Tommo Monthe

Asia-Pacific States
Federated States of Micronesia
Her Excellency Jane J. Chigiyal

Eastern European States
Republic of Albania
Her Excellency Besiana Kadare

Latin American and Caribbean States
Guyana
His Excellency Troy Torrington
Chargé d'affaires

Western European and other States
Principality of Andorra
Her Excellency Elisenda Vives Balmaña

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the *list of speakers* of plenary meetings of the General Assembly are kindly requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal available at http://delegate.un.int. The e-Speakers link to inscribe for the plenary meetings *is open*. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM help-desk (help-desk@un.org). For any other inquiries regarding the list of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org).

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly. The co-sponsorship of all draft resolutions and decisions in the General Assembly plenary now takes place via the General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship application in the e-deleGATE portal at http://delegate.un.int. Permanent missions to the United Nations are invited to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail gaplenarye-sponsorship@un.org) of those accredited delegates who should be granted access to General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship, using a registration form that was provided to the missions and is available on the General Assembly website

(*click here*). Based on the information received, delegates will be issued a username and a password to access the Portal.

Paper signature list for co-sponsorship will no longer be accepted. For questions on the submission of a *draft resolution or a draft decision* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (Room S-3044).

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1, and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252 and A/71/252/Add.1.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 118, 120 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*. There is no pre-determined calendar of meetings for the resumed part of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

Delegations requesting *issuance of communications* addressed to the Secretary-General as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1.

Requests should include the following language "I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as an official document of the General Assembly under agenda item __". The letter must be sent to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General in the original, with an original signature or stamp.

Additionally, electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org and to dms@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases, social media and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-second session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-second regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/72/50.

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For PaperSmart related matters, please contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (e-mail dgacm-msu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

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For broadcast TV coverage, please contact Mr. David Woodie/DPI (e-mail woodie@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9399);

For live and on-demand webcast coverage on the United Nations Web TV website, please contact the Department of Public Information (Mr. Andreas Damianou (e-mail damianou@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6733) and Ms. Valérie Justin (e-mail justin@un.org); [webcast] How to book a webcast (*click here*);

For special events services, please contact the Special Events Unit/DM (e-mail specialevents@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4245);

For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

For loaning of technological equipment (PC, printer, etc.), please contact OICT/DM (e-mail itservices@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3333).

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Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

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For *eSubscription* a simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management's eSubscription service, please *click here*.

Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org. An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

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Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to

produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make *40 copies* for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and *200 additional copies* for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber. Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver *50 copies* to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Wednesday, 12 April 2017

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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Preparatory Committee for the 2020 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

First session

NPT/CONF.2020/PC.I/4 Establishment of a Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons — Report submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

NPT/CONF.2020/PC.I/5 Implementation of article VI — Report submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

Communications to the Editor

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